

WSDOT I-5 Construction in Downtown Seattle

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Southbound I-5 Seattle construction this weekend: plan ahead and get on the express lanes

Starting Friday, crews will [close](#) all but two lanes of southbound Interstate 5 through downtown Seattle for the entire weekend for [construction](#). They will also close several southbound I-5 on and off ramps and access to the collector/distributor lanes from southbound I-5. This means that drivers going southbound on I-5 will not be able to access I-90, Dearborn Street, 4th Avenue South and Airport Way.

At noon on Friday, July 15, crews will close the Union Street exit to downtown Seattle. Then at 10 p.m. that night crews will close southbound I-5 between Olive Street and James Street and the Spring Street on ramp to southbound I-5. All lanes and ramps will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, July 18.

We need your help to keep traffic moving this weekend. If you're driving through Seattle southbound, please take the [I-5 express lanes](#). We will open them to southbound traffic all weekend. If you're driving from southbound I-5 to the Eastside this weekend, use I-405 or SR 520 (Evergreen Point Floating Bridge). If you can, consider carpooling, riding the bus or rescheduling your trip. Plan ahead and don't forget to check [real-time traffic information](#) before you go.

This will be the last of four major weekends of construction for this pavement rehabilitation project. Crews finished replacing most of the worn and damaged asphalt pavement on southbound I-5 between Olive and James Street with long-lasting concrete. After this weekend only minor finishing work remains. Some weeknight closures are needed during the next month to complete pavement striping and grinding work.

If you have questions or comments about construction noise on this project, please call our **24-hour noise hotline at (206) 768-9052**.

Hundreds participate in Alaskan Way Viaduct meetings

Thank you to the hundreds of people who participated in our June 21, 22 and 23 public meetings about the [Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement](#) project. Your involvement and enthusiasm were greatly appreciated. If you missed the meetings, a [summary](#) is now available online, and [comments](#) and questions are always welcome.

Aurora Bridge: safety enhancements and overnight lane closures underway

Drivers and pedestrians should watch for lane [closures](#) on the Aurora Bridge while crews make [safety enhancements](#) on the landmark structure. Starting this week until September, crews will close northbound lanes overnight Sunday through Thursday from 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. the next morning. We will revise our work schedule to help keep traffic moving on nights when heavy traffic is expected, for example, Mariner's game nights.

Crews have also closed the sidewalk on the bridge's east side at all times until mid-September. Detour signs are posted to direct pedestrians to cross under the bridge and use the walkway on the west side. When work on the east side of the bridge is complete in September workers will move to the west side, shifting lane closures southbound and walkway closures to the west side of the bridge.

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